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SUBJECT: SWEDISH SHRIMP MARKET

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1. THE NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE (NMFS), NOAA, COMMERCE HAS RECENTLY LEARNED FROM DR. A. LINDQUIST, DIRECTOR, INSTITUTE OF MARINE RESEARCH, THAT SWEDEN IS IMPORTING CANADIAN SHRIMP.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION ONLY DR. LINDQUIST, WHO WAS ATTENDING THE INDIAN OCEAN FISHERY COMMISSION MEETING IN COCHIN, INDIA STATED THAT SWEDISH FISHERMEN HAVE A GENTLEMAN'S UNCLASSIFIED

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AGREEMENT AMONG THEMSELVES TO FISH SHRIMP ONLY 3 DAYS A WEEK TO KEEP DOMESTIC SHRIMP PRICES HIGH. AS A RESULT, CANADIAN SHRIMP IMPORTS ARE COMPARATIVELY CHEAP.

2. U.S. EXPORTERS ARE INTERESTED IN ENTERING THIS MARKET. SHRIMP INVENTORIES ARE HIGHER THAN USUAL IN THE U.S. AND EXPORTERS ARE TRYING TO FIND ALTERNATIVE OUTLETS.

3. NMFS WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE THE EMBASSY OBTAINING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

A) TYPE OF PRODUCT POPULAR ON SWEDISH MARKET; SPECIES, COUNT (SIZE), FORM OF PROCESSING (FRESH, CANNED, OR FROZEN; WHOLE, HEADS-OFF, OR PEELED AND DEVEINED, ETC.).

B) IMPORT AND EXPORT DATA.

C) BACKGROUND DATA ON SWEDISH SHRIMP FISHERY, INCLUDING CONFIRMATION THAT LOCAL FISHERMEN VOLUNTARILY RESTRICT CATCH LEVELS. NMFS IS POUCHING A REPORT WHICH COULD BE USED BY THE EMBASSY AS A SAMPLE.

D) NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF SWEDISH FIRMS WHICH MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN IMPORTING U.S. SHRIMP.

E) SHRIMP PRICES ON THE SWEDISH MARKET.

4. NMFS APPRECIATES REFTTEL, WHICH IS BEING DISTRIBUTED TO INTERESTED U.S. FISHERY COMPANIES. VANCE

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